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2020

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NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA



**Administrative Office of York County Courts
(AOYCC)**

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COURT CALENDAR 2020

19th Judicial District York County Court of Common Pleas The Bench

President Judge

Joseph C. Adams

Judges

Gregory M. Snyder

Richard K. Renn

Michael E. Bortner

Maria Musti Cook

Harry M. Ness

Andrea Marceca Strong

Craig T. Trebilcock

Todd R. Platts

Michael W. Flannelly

N. Christopher Menges

Kathleen J. Prendergast

Clyde W. Vedder

Amber A. Kraft

Matthew D. Menges

Senior Judges

Richard K. Renn

(effective 02/01/2020)

JUDICIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Family & Juvenile Court Judges

Joseph C. Adams – President Judge
Andrea Marceca Strong – Family Court Supervising Judge
Todd R. Platts
Michael W. Flannelly
N. Christopher Menges
Kathleen J. Prendergast
Amber A. Kraft

Civil & Orphans' Court Judges

Clyde W. Vedder – Civil & Orphans' Court Supervising Judge
Richard K. Renn
Matthew D. Menges

Criminal Court Judges

Maria Musti Cook – Criminal Court Supervising Judge
Gregory M. Snyder
Michael E. Bortner
Harry M. Ness
Craig T. Trebilcock

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FAMILY COURT

Bench Warrants

Appearances on served bench warrants will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays before all judges in the division, on rotation.

Custody

Custody actions will be heard at times scheduled individually before all judges in the division. Motions Court sessions regarding custody special relief will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays before Judge C.Menges, and when specially scheduled by Judges Marceca Strong and Prendergast. Custody modification and initial custody contempt motions will be referred to conciliation.

Divorce

Entry of divorce decrees will be handled by Judges Adams and Kraft, and when specially assigned to Judges C.Menges, Platts, and Prendergast. Exceptions to masters' reports and recommendations will be heard at times individually scheduled before Judges C.Menges, Platts, and Prendergast. Motions Court sessions regarding divorce will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays before Judge Prendergast, and when specially scheduled by Judges Marceca Strong and C.Menges.

In Forma Pauperis (IFP) Petitions

IFP petitions for all family court actions will be heard at 1:30 p.m. on the following dates before Judge Marceca Strong:

January 9 & 23
April 9 & 30
July 9 & 30
October 8 & 22

February 13 & 20
May 7 & 21
August 13 & 27
November 12 & 19

March 12 & 26
June 11 & 25
September 10 & 24
December 3 & 17

Paternity

Paternity actions will be handled at times individually scheduled by Judge Flannelly.

Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)

Petitions for designation of special immigrant juvenile status will be handled at times individually scheduled by the assigned judge.

FAMILY COURT

Indirect Criminal Contempt

Indirect Criminal Contempt hearings regarding alleged violations of PFA and PSVI orders will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates before Judge Kraft:

January 10 & 31	February 7 & 14	March 6 & 20
April 17 & 24	May 1 & 15	June 5 & 26
July 10 & 17	August 7 & 21	September 4 & 18
October 2 & 23	November 6 & 20	December 4 & 18

Protection from Abuse (PFA) and Protection from Sexual Violence or Intimidation (PSVI)

Ex parte hearings for temporary protective orders will be heard Monday through Friday at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. before all judges in the division, on rotation. Hearings for final orders and modification of existing orders will be called at 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Mondays and at 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays before Judge Kraft and all judges in the division, on rotation. Motions for special relief will be heard on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. before Judge Kraft. Motions for return of weapons, compliance review hearings and cost contempt allegations will be heard at 1:30 p.m. as scheduled below by Judge Marceca Strong:

January 9 & 23	February 13 & 20	March 12 & 26
April 9 & 30	May 7 & 21	June 11 & 25
July 9 & 30	August 13 & 27	September 10 & 24
October 8 & 22	November 12 & 19	December 3 & 17

Support

Specially scheduled *de novo* hearings for complex support actions will be heard as scheduled by Judges Marceca Strong, C.Menges, and Prendergast. Motions Court sessions regarding support will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays before Judge Prendergast, and when specially scheduled by Judges Marceca Strong and C.Menges. Support contempt actions will be heard as scheduled at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and as specially scheduled before Judges Flannelly and Platts, and other judges on rotation. Non-complex hearings *de novo* will be held Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. before Judge Marceca Strong and other judges as assigned as scheduled below:

January 9 & 23	February 13 & 20	March 12 & 26
April 9 & 30	May 7 & 21	June 11 & 25
July 9 & 30	August 13 & 27	September 10 & 24
October 8 & 22	November 12 & 19	December 3 & 17

JUVENILE COURT

Delinquency

Juvenile delinquency actions will be heard at times individually scheduled before Judges Adams and Flannelly, and other judges when assigned. Petitions to certify cases for transfer to the adult criminal division will be handled at times individually scheduled before Judges Adams and Flannelly. Detention hearings will be heard at 1:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays before juvenile hearing officers. Misdemeanor adjudications, consent decrees, and review hearings will be heard at 1:30 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays before juvenile hearing officers. Act 21 matters will be heard at times specially scheduled before Judge Adams.

Dependency

Juvenile dependency actions will be heard at times individually scheduled before Judges Kraft, C.Menges, Platts, and Prendergast, and other judges when assigned. Shelter care hearings will be heard at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and at other times as determined necessary by the court, before juvenile hearing officers. Juvenile hearing officers will hear status and permanency review hearings Monday through Friday as scheduled by the court. Pre-adjudication conferences will be scheduled to be heard by a juvenile hearing officer. Motions Court sessions regarding dependency matters will be specially scheduled by the assigned judge.

Emancipations

Petitions for emancipation will be handled at times individually scheduled by Judge Marceca Strong.

Fee Petitions

Petitions for payment of fees for court-appointed counsel in juvenile actions will be handled by Judge Kraft January 1 through June 30, and by Judge Platts July 1 through December 31. Petitions for payment of fees for court-appointed counsel in Orphans' Court proceedings will be handled by the assigned judge.

CRIMINAL, FAMILY & JUVENILE COURT

Wellness Courts

Criminal, family, and juvenile division wellness court sessions will be held weekly on the following days:

Adult Drug	Thursday, 2:00 p.m. Judge Kraft
Adult DUI	Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. Judge Vedder
Adult Heroin Opioid	Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m. Judge Trebilcock
Adult Mental Health	Thursday, 10:00 a.m. Hearing Officer Fawcett
Adult Veterans	Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Judge Trebilcock
Juvenile Drug	Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. Judge Platts
JUMP	Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. Judge Flannelly
Juvenile Truancy	3 rd Thursday each month, 3:30 p.m. Judges assigned to individual cases & Hearing Officer Neuhaus
Family Drug	Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. Judge Prendergast

CRIMINAL COURT

Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) Placement Hearings

Hearings on the [District Attorney's presentments for Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition \(ARD\)](#) in criminal cases will be held at 9:30 a.m. for all offenses *other* than DUI, and at 1:30 p.m. for DUI offenses, on the following dates and times:

January 28	Judge Bortner
February 25	Judge Ness
March 24	Judge Musti Cook
April 28	Judge Snyder
May 26	Judge Bortner
June 23	Judge Ness
July 21	Judge Musti Cook
August 25	Judge Snyder
September 29	Judge Bortner
October 27	Judge Ness
November 24	Judge Musti Cook
December 22	Judge Snyder

Tentative Dates for 2021

January 26	Judge Bortner
February 23	Judge Ness
March 30	Judge Musti Cook
April 27	Judge Snyder
May 25	Judge Bortner
June 29	Judge Ness
July 27	Judge Musti Cook
August 31	Judge Snyder
September 28	Judge Bortner
October 26	Judge Ness
November 30	Judge Musti Cook
December 28	Judge Snyder

CRIMINAL COURT

Cost Contempt

Contempt hearings arising from failure to pay [court costs](#) will be held at the following times before Judge Vedder.

January 31	9:00 AM
February 13	9:00 AM
March 27	9:00 AM
April 24	9:00 AM
May 29	9:00 AM
June 19	9:00 AM
July 31	9:00 AM
August 28	9:00 AM
October 2	9:00 AM
October 30	9:00 AM
December 4	9:00 AM
December 18	9:00 AM

Extradition

Extradition matters will be heard at 11:00 a.m. on Fridays before Judge Ness.

CRIMINAL & CIVIL COURT

Jury Trials

Civil and criminal jury trials will be held on the following dates:

January 6 - 24
March 2 - 20
May 4 - 22
July 6 - 17
September 8 - 25
November 2 - 20

Tentative Dates for 2021

January 4 - 22
March 1 - 19
May 3 - 21
July 6 - 16
September 7 - 24
November 1 - 19

CRIMINAL COURT

Criminal Pretrial Conferences

<u>Last Arraignment Date</u>	<u>Pretrial Conference Dates</u>	<u>Trial Term Begins</u>
11/01/19	12/09/19 - 12/20/19	01/06/20
01/03/20	02/03/20 - 02/14/20	03/02/20
02/28/20	04/06/20 - 04/17/20	05/04/20
05/01/20	06/08/19 - 06/19/20	07/06/20
06/26/20	08/03/20 - 08/14/20	09/08/20
09/04/20	10/05/20 - 10/16/20	11/02/20
10/30/20	12/07/20 - 12/18/20	01/04/21
12/31/20	02/01/21 - 02/12/21	03/01/21
02/26/21	04/05/21 - 04/16/21	05/03/21
04/30/21	06/07/21 - 06/18/21	07/06/21
07/02/21	08/02/21 - 08/13/21	09/07/21

(2021 dates are tentative)

Probation & Parole Violation Hearings

Hearings on alleged violations of probation and parole, including for ARD Program participants, will be scheduled individually before the judge assigned to each case. Violation hearings associated with new charges will be scheduled individually before the judge assigned to the new cases.

CRIMINAL COURT

Summary Conviction Appeal (SCA) Hearings

[Appeals from summary convictions](#) will be held at 9:30 a.m. on the following dates before Judges Bortner, Musti Cook, Ness, and Snyder:

January 29
February 19
March 25
April 29
May 27
June 24
July 22
August 26
September 30
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November 25
December 30

Tentative Dates for 2021

January 27
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December 29

CIVIL COURT

Arbitration Hearings

[Civil arbitration](#) hearings will be held at times scheduled individually by the assigned panels on the following dates:

January 27 – 31
February 24 – 28
March 30 – April 3
April 27 – May 1
May 25 – 29
July 27 – 31
September 28 – October 2
November 16 – 20
December 14 – 19

Tentative Dates for 2021

January 25 – 29
February 22 – 26

Call of the Civil Trial List

The court will conduct a call of the civil trial list at 9:30 a.m. before Judges M.Menges, Renn, or Vedder on the following dates:

12/23/19 for January 2020 term
02/18/20 for March 2020 term
04/20/20 for May 2020 term
06/22/20 for July 2020 term
08/24/20 for September 2020 term
10/19/20 for November 2020 term
12/21/20 for January 2021 term

CIVIL COURT

Driver License Suspension Appeals

Hearings on appeals from driver license suspensions will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates before Judge M.Menges, Renn, or Vedder:

January 29
February 26
March 25
April 29
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December 30

Tentative Dates for 2021

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November 24
December 29

CIVIL COURT

Naturalization Court

[Naturalization](#) Court will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Ceremonial Courtroom on the 2nd floor of the York County Administrative Center at 28 East Market Street in York on the following dates before Judges M.Menges or Vedder:

March 26
June 25
October 22

Tentative Dates for 2021

March 25
June 24
October 28

Petitions & Motions

Motions Court sessions regarding non-family civil matters will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m., before Judges M.Menges, Renn, or Vedder. Sessions will not be held on any Tuesday which follows a Monday court holiday, nor on Tuesday of the first week of any jury trial term.

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate

The Sheriff will conduct [public sale of real estate](#) subject to a writ of execution at 2:00 p.m. in the Judicial Center on the following dates:

<u>Last Date to File Writ</u>	<u>Date of Sale</u>	<u>Schedule of Distribution Posted NLT</u>
10/28/19	02/10/20	03/11/20
12/23/19	04/06/20	05/06/20
02/24/20	06/08/20	07/08/20
04/27/20	08/10/20	09/09/20
06/22/20	10/05/20	11/04/20
08/24/20	12/07/20	01/06/21

CIVIL COURT

Tax Assessment Appeals

[Tax assessment appeals](#) will be heard at times individually scheduled by Judges M.Menges, Renn, and Vedder.

Transfer of Structured Settlements

Petitions for transfer of structured settlement payments will be heard at times individually scheduled by Judges M.Menges, Renn, and Vedder.

ORPHANS' COURT

Account Filing & Auditing

Accounts filed in accordance with the following schedule will be called for audit at 9:00 a.m. before Judges M.Menges, Renn, or Vedder on the following dates:

Last Date for Filing Accounts

December 4, 2019
January 8, 2020
February 5, 2020
March 11, 2020
April 15, 2020
May 13, 2020
July 8, 2020
August 5, 2020
September 9, 2020
October 14, 2020
December 2, 2020

Audit Date

January 8, 2020
February 5, 2020
March 4, 2020
April 8, 2020
May 13, 2020
June 10, 2020
August 5, 2020
September 2, 2020
October 7, 2020
November 18, 2020
January 6, 2021

(2021 dates are tentative)

MISCELLANEOUS

Addresses & Locations

Unless specifically noted otherwise, all offices, hearings and events are located in the York County Judicial Center, 45 North George Street, York, Pennsylvania, 17401

Business Days & Dates

Normal business days for all Court offices and facilities are Monday through Friday, excluding all legal holidays published in this document. All dates in this calendar are for the year 2020 unless specifically noted otherwise. All 2021 dates are tentative and are subject to revision in the 2021 Court Calendar. In the event of a holiday or other court closure, the court may set alternate days, dates or times for any event published in this calendar.

Hours of Operation

Filing offices will be open daily for transaction of business at the following times:

[Clerk of Courts](#)

(1st floor)

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Court Administration](#)

(4th floor)

8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

[Court Self-Help Center](#)

(4th floor)

M,T,Th,Fr: 9:00 a.m. - 12: p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
(Wednesdays by appointment only)

[Domestic Relations](#)

(2nd floor)

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Prothonotary](#)

(1st floor)

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Register of Wills &](#)

[Clerk of Orphans' Court](#)

(2nd floor)

8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

Legal Holidays

The following dates will be observed as court holidays:

New Year's Day	January 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 20
Presidents' Day	February 17
Easter Holiday	April 10
Memorial Day	May 25
Independence Day	July 3
Labor Day	September 7
Columbus Day	October 12
Election Day	November 3
Veterans' Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	November 26
Day after Thanksgiving	November 27
Christmas Day	December 25

Tentative Dates for 2021

New Year's Day	January 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 18
Presidents' Day	February 15
Easter Holiday	April 2
Memorial Day	May 31

Oath of Office Ceremonies

The court will administer the oath of office to newly elected, re-elected and retained officials in the Ceremonial Courtroom on the 2nd floor of the York County Administrative Center at 28 East Market Street in York on the following dates:

January 3, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
(There will not be a ceremony in 2021)

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Revisions & Website

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Weather Delay

If the county [announces](#) that its activities will be operating under a two-hour delay, all court business for the morning will automatically be cancelled. Jurors who have been selected (empaneled) for a specific trial will be contacted individually by the court to advise them when to report for service. Jurors who have not yet been selected for a specific trial should report to the jury assembly room at 12:30 p.m.

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